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<b>IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</b>	<i>Application Number</i>	10/623,437
	<i>Filing Date</i>	July 18, 2003
	<i>First Named Inventor</i>	David W. TOWNSEND
	<i>Group Art Unit</i>	3737
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	<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	2003P88029US (2436-185)
<i>Title of the Invention: COMBINED PET AND X-RAY CT TOMOGRAPH</i>		

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office action mailed September 27, 2005, requiring election of claims directed to alleged distinct inventions. A three-month extension of time for response from October 27, 2005 to January 27, 2006 is requested. Further reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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